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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS SHOPPING LIST

REF: A) ISLAMABAD 196 9; B) ISLAMABAD 1732

1. SUMMARY. IN FOLLOW- UP SESSION WITH MISSION REPRESENTATIVES ON MARCH 9 NARCOTICS BOARD CHAIRMAN STATED THAT HE HOPED TO SET UP FORTY- THREE NARCOTICS CONTROL POINTS IN PAKISTAN, EACH MANNED BY TWO FOUR- MAN STRIKE SQUADS, IN LIEU OF 4 PILOT STRIKE SQUADS RECOMMENDED BY TEAM. HE PROVIDED LENGTHY LIST OF EQUIPMENT NEEDS FOR CONTROL POINTS AND NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HEAD-QUARTERS, WHICH HE SAID QAMARUL ISLAM IS TAKING WITH HIM TO WASHINGTON. MISSION BELIEVES ESTABLISHMENT OF ABOUT FOUR PILOT STRIKE SQUADS AS INITIAL STEP IS SOUND AND THAT USG SHOULD BE AS FORTHRIGHT AS PRACTICABLE IN OFFERING ASSISTANCE TO EQUIP SQUADS IN SUCH A PILOT PROJECT, AS FOCAL POINT FOR CONCENTRATION OF OUR ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE. END SUMMARY.

2. IN RAPID FOLLOW UP TO MARCH 7 DISCUSSION WITH EMBASSY  
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REPRESENTATIVES REPORTED REFTEL NARCOTICS BOARD CHAIRMAN ORAKZAI CALLED IN A/ DCM MARCH 9 FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION ON ENFORCEMENT PLANNING; BNDD REP AND ECONOFF ATTENDED. ORAKZAI SAID THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED PLANS WITH QAMARUL ISLAM, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, PLANNING COMMISSION, AND HAD PROVIDED HIM WITH LIST OF REQUIREMENTS FOR EQUIPMENT, WHICH HE SAID ISLAM IS TAKING TO WASHINGTON. HE STATED HE WAS NOT CERTAIN WHAT ISLAM WOULD DO WITH LIST IN WASHINGTON, BUT WISHED TO INFORM EMBASSY OF ITS CONTENTS.

3. ORAKZAI SAID THAT HE BELIEVED THAT FOUR STRIKE SQUADS RECOMMENDED IN NARCOTICS TEAM REPORT WOULD BE COMPLETELY INADEQUATE TO TASK OF NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT. INSTEAD HE WAS PROPOSING ESTABLISHMENT OF FORTY- THREE NARCOTICS CONTROL POINTS SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY, 21 OF WHICH WOULD BE LOCATED IN NWFP ALONG MAIN SMUGGLING ROUTES. IN CHARGE OF EACH POINT WOULD BE ONE SENIOR OFFICER. TWO 4- MAN STRIKE SQUADS WOULD BE ATTACHED TO EACH POINT. STRIKE SQUAD PERSONNEL WOULD BE RECRUITED THROUGH INDUCEMENT OF ONE- STEP PROMOTION AND SPECIAL PAY FROM ALL EXISTING ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. CONTROL POINTS WOULD BE TIED TO PROVINCIAL AND NATIONAL NARCOTIC BOARD HEADQUARTERS THROUGH DIRECT RADIO CONTACT.

4. ORAKZAI THEN PROVIDED LIST OF ANTICIPATED EQUIPMENT NEEDS FOR CONTROL POINTS AND FOR NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS OF NARCOTICS BOARD. LIST, WHICH IS BEING POUCHED, IS SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS:

- (A) WIRELESS STATIONS: 43 FOR FIELD CONTROL POSTS, 5 FOR NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS, TOTAL 48.
  - (B) CARS ( WIRELESS FITTED): 36 FOR NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS.
  - (C) JEEPS ( WIRELESS FITTED): 86 FOR FIELD CONTROL POSTS, 8 FOR NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS, TOTAL 94.
  - (D) WAGONEERS ( WIRELESS FITTED): 9 FOR NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS.
  - (E) EALKIE- TALKIES: 172 FOR FIELD CONTROL POSTS.
  - (F) BINOCULARS: 172 FOR FIELD CONTROL POSTS.
  - (G) REVOLVERS: 172 FOR FIELD CONTROL POSTS.
  - (H) VERY LIGHT PISTOLS: 172 FOR FIELD CONTROL POSTS.
  - (I) STEN GUNS: 172 FOR FIELD CONTROL POSTS.
  - (J) RIFLES: 516 FOR FIELD CONTROL POSTS.
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- (K) LABORATORY EQUIPMENT: 4 FOR NATIONAL AND PROVIN-

CIAL HEADQUARTERS.

(L) PHOTO COPYING EQUIPMENT: 5 FOR NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS.

(M) REPRODUCTION UNIT EQUIPMENT: 5 FOR NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS.

(N) RADIO PHOTO TRANSMISSION: 5 FOR NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS.

(O) HELICOPTER: 1 FOR NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS.

(P) LIGHT AIRCRAFT (TWIN ENGINE): 2 FOR NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS.

(Q) LIGHT REVOLVERS: 50 FOR FIELD CONTROL POSTS.

(R) BUGGING EQUIPMENT: 50 FOR FIELD CONTROL POSTS.

(S) SMALL CARS: 25 FOR FIELD CONTROL POSTS.

5. COMMENT. WE DO NOT KNOW WHEHTER QAMARUL ISLAM WILL PRESENT THIS GRANDIOSE SET OF REQUIREMENTS IN TOTO DURING HIS TALKS IN WASHINGTON, BUT WE SUSPECT THAT IT WILL BE USED AT LEAST AS BASIC BACKGROUND DOCUMENT IN NARCOTICS SHOPPING LIST. IT IS NOT UNLIKELY THAT GOP REGARDS LONG LIST OF NARCOTICS EQUIPMENT NEEDS AS OEANS OF OBTAINING PARAMILITARY EQUIPMENT THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE UNAVAILABLE FROM US. WE ARE HIGHLY SKEPTICAL THAT ORAKZAI CAN COME UP WITH GOP SANCTION FOR SLOTS AND FUNDING FOR APPROXIMATELY 400 MEN HE ENVISIONS FOR HIS CONTROL POINTS, OR THAT OTHER AGENCIES WOULD STAND IDLY BY WHILE HE RAIDS THEIR PERSONNEL ROSTERS. ON OTHER HAND, WE ARE PLEASED AT ORAKZAI'S ACTIVIST ATTITUDE TOWARD NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT AND WOULD NOT WISH TO UNDERCUT HIS POSITION ( PARTICULARLY AT BEGINNING) BY POURING TOO MUCH COLD WATER ON HIS PLANS.

6. WE BELIEVE THAT NARCOTICS TEAM RECOMMENDATION THAT FOUR STRIKE SQUADS BE ESTABLISHED ON PILOT BASIS IS SOUND. NUMBER OF SQUADS CAN BE RAPIDLY EXPANDED AS EFFECTIVENESS IS DEMONSTRATED AND AS RESOURCES BECAME AVAILABLE. WE RECOMMEND IF ISLAM RAISES ISSUE THAT WASHINGTON STRESS USG BELIEF IN SOUNDNESS OF PILOT APPROACH AND INDICATE USG DESIRE TO HELP IN EQUIPPING FOUR PILOT UNITS. AS INDICATED IN ISLAMABAD'S NARCOTIC CONTROL ACTION PROGRAM ( PAR 7. B(2) REF B), WE BELIEVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THAT USG SHOULD CONCENTRATE ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ON FOUR PILOT SQUADS. WE WOULD HOPE THAT USG COULD PROVIDE COMMODITIES SUCH AS VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH RADIOS, RADIO BASE STATIONS, BINOCULARS, NARCOTICS TEST KITS. WE MIGHT ALSO CONSIDER PROVISION OF SOME COMMUNICATIONS

AND LABORATORY EQUIPMENT FOR NARCOTICS BOARD HEADQUARTERS.  
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